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## **Box Patent Application**

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Presented for filing is a new divisional patent application of:

Applicant: YASUSHI KAJWARA

Title: SOCKET ASSEMBLY

The prior application is assigned of record to Enplas Corporation, a Japanese corporation, by virtue of an assignment submitted to the Patent and Trademark Office and recorded on May 8, 1995 at 7477/0561.

Enclosed are the following papers, including those required to receive a filing date under 37 CFR §1.53(b):

|               | <u>Pages</u>         |
|---------------|----------------------|
| Specification | 129                  |
| Claims        | 11                   |
| Abstract      | 1                    |
| Declaration   | 2 (copy from parent) |
| Drawing(s)    | 46                   |

## **Enclosures:**

— Information Disclosure Statement: Applicant calls attention to documents listed on attached form PTO-892, 1 page, from the parent case. Per Rule 97(d) copies of those documents are not provided. Please confirm that these have been considered in this application by returning a copy of the Form PTO-892 with the examiner's initials.

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- Rule 63 declaration, copy from a previous application under rule 63(d) for continuation or divisional only.
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This application is a divisional (and claims the benefit of priority under 35 USC 120) of U.S. application serial no. 09/499,710, filed February 8, 2001, which is a divisional of U.S. application serial no. 08/965,744, filed November 7, 1997 (now U.S. patent no. 6,036,518), which was a divisional of U.S. application serial no. 08/330,089, filed October 26, 1994 (now U.S. patent no. 5,733,136). The disclosure of the prior applications is considered part of (and is incorporated by reference in) the disclosure of this application.

This application presents non-elected claims 6-39 from the parent case (U.S. application no. 09/499,710).

Priority of the application serial numbers that follows is claimed under 35 U.S.C. 119:

| COUNTRY | APPLICATION NO. | FILING DATE        | PRIORITY CLAIMED |
|---------|-----------------|--------------------|------------------|
| Japan   | 5-58105 (UM)    | October 27, 1993   | Y                |
| Japan   | 6-69679 (PAT)   | April 7, 1994      | Y                |
| Japan   | 6-69680 (PAT)   | April 7, 1994      | Y                |
| Japan   | 6-69681 (PAT)   | April 7, 1994      | Y                |
| Japan   | 6-107925 (PAT)  | April 21, 1994     | Y                |
| Japan   | 6-130919 (PAT)  | May 20, 1994       | Y                |
| Japan   | 6-205561 (PAT)  | August 30, 1994    | Y                |
| Japan   | 6-208825 (PAT)  | September 1, 1994  | Y                |
| Japan   | 6-219968 (PAT)  | September 14, 1994 | Y                |

Certified copies of the priority documents were already filed in the parent application.



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There are 34 total claims or 38 including multiple dependent claims, 5 of which are independent, and 3 of which are multiple dependent.

| Basic filing fee                             | \$710  |
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| Total claims in excess of 20 times \$18      | \$324  |
| Independent claims in excess of 3 times \$80 | \$160  |
| Fee for multiple dependent claims            | \$270  |
| Total filing fee:                            | \$1464 |

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If this application is found to be incomplete, or if a telephone conference would otherwise be helpful, please call the undersigned at (858) 678-5070.

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